

Special Meeting Monday To Act On Articles For Elderly Housing, Police

Revised plans for combined use of the Summer and Mystic street site for elderly housing and a police station will be presented to a Special Town Meeting Monday night at 8 at Town Hall.

At a meeting Saturday a task force of residents and groups interested in the project approved a revision of the facilities for presentation to Town Meeting. According to Robert Havern, co-chairman of the task force, the new plan is feasible according to the architects and most amenable to those represented on the force.

Major objections had been raised against the project which includes a five-story elderly housing unit, a two-story police station and two-level parking by the Conservation Commission.

The commission was afraid of a "canyon effect" being created by the elderly building running parallel to Mill Brook at Cooke's Hollow park off Mystic

street. The commission also objected to parking along Mystic street so close to the brook.

Two variations of the plan which the elderly building to the corner of Summer street and lowered it along the brook were rejected before the compromise plan was agreed on.

The new plan now has the elderly building in a sort of L-shape perpendicular to Summer street with the foot being at an angle to Cooke's Hollow.

To minimize the height of the building on Summer street, which is 28 feet higher than the back part of the site, the elderly building will probably be four stories in the front and five stories in the back.

This plan has a total of about 83 parking spaces. Twenty-five are shown on Mystic street next to the brook and the end of the police station. The other spaces are in two-level decked parking on the sides of the elderly building.

A courtyard and pedestrian access are between the police and elderly buildings. So that neighbors on Mystic street do not have to look out on garage-type doors, the access to the police maintenance garage has been moved in off of Mystic street.

Under the revised plan the elderly housing building will have 68 units. The police building which will also house administration and communications for police and fire, will include a community room.

The Special Town Meeting Warrant has seven articles related to the project. Article 2 seeks an appropriation of funds for planning the police part of the project. The Arlington Housing Authority has separate funds for planning the elderly housing. Some \$2.56 million has been allocated for the project.

When the article was written it was planned to seek \$210,000 for final architectural and engineering plans for the project. After the changes made Saturday and the assurance that the state would still hold the elderly funds, the decision was made to ask for \$52,000 for preliminary plans of the police facility.

Article 3 proposes to swap some town land controlled by the Conservation Commission with other town land near Cooke's Hollow in order to put together the site. Havern says this article may be withdrawn.

Articles 4, 5 and 6 seek acquisition of three more parcels which would make up the elderly-housing site. These include property on Mystic street owned by Mirak's, the Texaco station, and a field behind Mystic street owned by the Roman Catholic Archdiocese.

Rezoning the site is proposed under Article 7, but this article may also be withdrawn so that Town Meeting can act on the project before rezoning is done. The Redevelopment Board this week voted to recommend no action on this article, without prejudice, feeling that it was premature to recommend zoning changes.

Under Article 8 the Redevelopment Board would be authorized to solicit bids for the sale, lease or development of the police station on Central street. The intent of this article is to open that site for commercial development when it is vacated.

The special meeting warrant also has an article for an appropriation for salaries for the school department which will probably be withdrawn since the school budget passed with an amount in it to cover negotiated raises.

The last article in the warrant is for rezoning a parcel at Dudley and Grove streets.



Kevin Twomey enjoys playing with a parachute at the Saturday Alive program of the Boys' Club. Participants in the program, which is sponsored by the Boys' Club and Rotary Club, enjoyed an outing at Spy Pond park. (Staff Photo by Dan Walsh)

Fun

Starts In July

School Board Chooses New AHS Headmaster

For the second time in less than one month the School Committee approved Supt. of Schools William Gibbs as the position of Headmaster of Arlington High School.

Before an audience of approximately 50 persons, Thomas M. Reis, the current principal of Walpole High School, was approved Tuesday night to succeed Acting Headmaster Reed K. Taylor. It is expected that Reis will sign the contract and assume his duties at Arlington High in the latter part of July.

In a letter recently received by Supt. of Schools William Gibbs, James E. Findley, the vice principal of an Omaha, Neb. high school who was voted three weeks ago to succeed Taylor, notified

Gibbs of his decision to withdraw his candidacy. Findley cited completion of his dissertation as the factor influencing his decision.

The committee had been faced with meeting Findley's salary request or acting on the recommendation of a second candidate.

In recommending Reis for the Headmastership, Gibbs noted to committee members that he was an applicant in the second screening. However, because of concerns with sick leave, tenure, and reductions in force, Reis had withdrawn his candidacy before Gibbs' original recommendation.

Gibbs said Reis has superlative recommendations and "his experience and achievements as an administrator in the Walpole system clearly mark him as an exceptional person." The problems and challenges faced by Reis at Walpole High Gibbs said are "strikingly similar to Arlington's."

Gibbs reiterated to committee members Tuesday an earlier statement that administrators were really disappointed Reis dropped out on the eve of his recommendation. "He's really not a second choice and that's the way he should be recorded in your minds; he is in ours."

Before voting, committee members were given a chance to question Reis. His annual observations of tenured and non-tenured teachers; his handling of discipline, drugs and alcohol at Walpole High; strengths he would bring to Arlington High; and his views on the relationship between the Headmaster and the School Committee were among those questions asked.

Reis cited his ability to get along with parents, organization, his excellent health record to date, and leadership qualities as the major strengths he would bring to Arlington High. Although he said he can be "hard nosed" when it comes to discipline, he also said he "can be as humanistic as anyone."

Reis said he would encourage parental involvement, and he also recognizes the need for a good working relationship with the School Committee. Reis said members will hear "both the good and bad news." He also noted that at Walpole High he meets monthly with all student committees, and expects to

Court Changes 4 Votes; Murray, Spengler Tie; Special Election Seen

The question of who is the fifth Arlington Selectman is still not settled. A Superior Court justice changed four contested votes last week bringing about a tie between Margaret Spengler and Robert Murray.

Because the judge's decision did not go any further, the Board of Registrars, meeting with their counsel, William Galvin, on Tuesday decided to ask the court for a clarification of what to do next. The board will not appeal his finding on the vote outcome.

"It looks to me like a special election fairly soon," said Galvin, adding that the Registrars would favor such an election. But they want to be complete and correct, he explains.

The reason clarification is needed is because both the General Laws and the Town Manager Act have provisions for filling vacancies. The General Laws say vacancies on the board of selectmen will be filled by a special election called by selectmen.

The Town Manager Act, calls for filling of the vacancy by the remaining selectmen and the moderator "for any reason other than expiration of term."

Galvin thinks that language is difficult to apply in this case since Murray and Spengler both sat on the board. Murray has been notified by the Registrars that his recount victory has been superseded by the court and he has been advised by counsel not to participate in decisions of the Board of Selectmen.

Since the confusion exists over whether the Town Manager Act or the General Laws apply, the Registrars are asking the court to clarify the situation. The justice's findings had cited a statute which the Registrars should follow, but it was not one which applies to towns in this kind of situation. Galvin says it is a simple matter of clarification.

Town Counsel John Maher is of the opinion that the General Laws should be followed and that the vacancy that exists on the board is because of an expiration of term in March.

The civil action in Superior Court was brought by Mrs. Spengler, represented by Walter McLaughlin, after she lost the election in the recount. The action was against the Board of Registrars and how it counted 30 specific ballots. In addition, Murray challenged the counting of 16 ballots.

"I hope the people of this town will benefit from this experience and realize the impact of each and every vote. It couldn't be more dramatically explained to them," said Mrs. Spengler.

She beat Murray by 13 votes after the election. After the recount she had lost by 3. Now she was tied with him. In the March election the votes for Murray and Spengler were 4347 and 4360, with 34 percent of the voters going to the polls.

Robert Cove, attorney for Murray, said the final election came down to six ballots. Superior Court Justice Rudolph P. Pierce reviewed all 30 of the contested ballots which has been presented by attorneys. Seventeen other ballots were eliminated in pretrial conference.

Of the six ballots which attorneys felt were critical, four went to Spengler and one to Murray, thus bringing about the tie. However, the justice did not report

the tie. His opinion just orders that certain ballots be counted in favor of each party and concluded with an order that the Board of Registrars "declare the result of the election."

The General Law chapter which he cited for them to follow turned out to be incorrect, applying to cities, thus the day after his decision was released there was some confusion on the direction he intended to give.

The judge reviewed each contested ballot last Thursday with input from attorneys for both candidates and William Galvin, attorney for the Board of Registrars.

On one ballot, he decided the Registrars had correctly not counted it for Spengler because the "X" was on the line under her name where conceivably the voter had intended to write-in a candidate's name.

Two votes the court gave to Spengler had her name marked with a check, while other names on the ballot were marked with "X". The Registrars did not count them. While the method of marking was inconsistent, the justice concluded the checks "were intended by the voters to express their preferences for the petitioner."

The justice supported a vote given to Murray on a ballot in which an "X" appeared next to Murray and Grannan while a diagonal line was next to Lyons' name. Other names on the ballot were marked with "X".

He concurred with another vote given to Murray on which part of the "X" was below the line with Murray's name. The justice noted that other "Xs" on the ballot were similarly placed.

Two votes which he gave to Spengler were on absentee ballots marked in red ink. The Board of Registrars has not allowed the votes, citing General Laws Ch. 54, Sec. 80.

However, the justice noted that "no instructions were included with the ballot informing the voter of what type of writing instrument was to be used. The only difference in the markings on these ballots by the voters from the markings which appear on the other ballots presented in this action is the color of the ink."

He gave a vote to Murray on a ballot on which both an "X" and a check appeared next to Murray's name.

Murray is not interested in pursuing an appeal of the decision to the state Supreme Judicial Court both because of the expense and the time.

He says he would be satisfied with a runoff election. He would prefer that it be closed to himself and Mrs. Spengler. "It's been expensive and grueling, but it's part of the democratic process and that's what makes our country what it is," he says.

"Even though it didn't come out with me on top, if you believe in the process of your government you have to let it work."

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Robbins Library Has New Selection Of Art Collection

A new selection of art prints has been added to the Robbins Library circulating art collection. These reproductions of original art works are available for home use for a one month loan period. These acquisitions are exhibited through June in the Art and Music Dept. Gallery on the top floor of the library. Reservations are being taken to take home prints after the exhibit is over.

Other prints in the circulating art collection are housed at the Edith Fox Branch library in East Arlington. There are over 150 prints to choose from in a variety of genres and styles. Among the new works are those of Winslow Homer, Georgia O'Keeffe, Carolyn Blish, David Hockney, Thomas Sully, Foujita, Vassarely, and Cassatt.

This week in

metroguide

Feature-Antiques and Auctions
While beauty may be in the eyes of the beholder, it's always nice to know if you're collecting the genuine article or merely genuine junk. Whatever it is that you collect, METROGUIDE gives you tips on when, where, and how to collect it.

Sports-The Salem Witches Cup
The Witches Cup bicycle race brings world-class bicyclists to Salem. There's also much more going on in Salem this Sunday.

About Arlington People

Three Arlington culinary arts students at Minuteman Tech won prizes at the second annual salon and senior banquet held at the school restaurant.

In the baking-pastry division Kathy Denn won honorable mention. In cold foods competition, Michael Lowry took first prize and Joellen Margarita received a second prize.

The picture titled "A father remembers," on the front page of the May 31 issue of The Advocate is of Claude Elliott, a World War I veteran, 5 Old Colony, Arlington, at the graveside of his son-in-law, Arthur Charlton. A World War II Navy veteran, who died in the 1960's two days before his 20-years of service were up. Charlton was a two-star Chief in the Navy and was born in Arlington.

Peggy Ann Gallagher, a finalist in the 1979 Massachusetts Miss Teen - USA Pageant was one of 60 contestants to attend last weekend's luncheon and orientation in Worcester. The winner of this contest, which will be held in July, will attend the national competition in November. Peggy, who just graduated from Arlington High School and expects to attend Simmons College in the fall, is the daughter of Geraldine Gallagher of Melrose street and Gerald Gallagher of Boston.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Larry Bart on their 26th wedding anniversary. Town Meeting members gave them a hand as they celebrated their anniversary in Town Hall recording the proceedings of the Town Meeting last week.

Stephen F. McEleney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick C. McEleney of 33 Fabian st., is studying at University of Limoges, Limousin, France, this summer. He recently finished his junior year at Marquette University in Wisconsin where he is majoring in journalism and minoring in French.

John Quick left his job as a consultant with Arthur D. Little in style last week. He drove off in a 1927 Packard touring car while a Dixieland band played. Quick left to start Lakehill Management company.

Catherine Farrell was grand winner for women in the recent Run-for-Life road race around Spot Pond in Stoneham for the benefit of the New England Memorial Hospital. She won the women's open in 32:18 minutes.

A testimonial banquet will be held June 12 for Chester A. Little, local printer and past president of the Arlington Rotary Club. He will be named a Paul Harris Fellow and awarded a \$1000 scholarship to be added to the Rotary Foundation fund for international study. The dinner will be held at Cottage Crest.

Classmates of Donald Kosak, who died recently, planted a memorial tree at Parmenter School where he had been in the 1971 graduating class which made a gift to the school of bulbs, a tree and shrubs.

Joining his family at the planting last week were classmates Betsy Brooks, Gordon Wallace, Albert Streter, Stephen Spengler, Steven Malatesta, Ray Barry and Ellen Tierney. Sixth graders who attended the ceremony said they would care for the new tree.

At a recent sports dinner John J. Connors of 45 Sherborn st. received the "unsung hero" award for his participation on the 1979 Boston College High School varsity basketball team.



Farewell

Seniors at the end of the line have a hand for housemaster Harold Fairbanks as they process onto Peirce Field for graduation. (Advocate Staff Photo)

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★ Election

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I just hope for the best," he says.

Mrs. Spengler also feels that an election between the two of them would be the fairest. If there is another election she says she hopes it will be done with the least imposition to the voters. "It is hard for them and the candidates, and it is not doing town government any good to have this confusion," she says. Of the court decision, she says her campaign workers were convinced they had legitimate claims to some of these votes and the court upheld that judgment.

It is up to Selectmen to call a special election. Galvin, Maher and Cove agree that the election would have to be opened to anyone who chose to run, as opposed to being a run-off between Spengler and Murray.

Under the Town Manager Act, the Selectmen could fill the vacancy with the Moderator, and 200 voters could petition them to call a special election, but the board would not be obliged to honor the petition, says Maher.

★ AHS

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continue this practice at Arlington High. He said he is excited about the prospects of coming to Arlington High School. It is a bigger school than Walpole High with bigger challenges and a good reputation.

Since Walpole High is experiencing a building renovation program similar to that slated for Arlington High, Reis said he wouldn't be able to assume his duties at AHS until the end of July.

Reis was awarded a three-year contract with the understanding that he will be recommended for tenure after one year if his performance is exceptional.

An advance of 150 sick leave days was

also voted, and assurance was given that he would be able to attend the annual convention of the National Association of Secondary Principals.

Gibbs recommended the advance sick leave days as "an insurance policy" for health reasons, had accumulated more than 150 days. This was awarded against a possible unforeseen circumstance.

The committee voted unanimously on the contract award, the sick leave advance, and the assurance that Reis could attend the convention. However, on the salary item there was some dissent.

By a vote of 8-1 the committee awarded Reis a salary of \$35,345 on the 1978-1979 salary scale. This breaks down to a 12-month salary of \$33,106 plus a stipend of \$2,239 for managing the Student Advisory Council.

Linda Braun, who was the dissenting vote on the salary item, said, although "he's a good man and I'm pleased he's in the system," she feels the committee "went too far in meeting his demands."

Mrs. Braun also said she voted in opposition because the Student Advisory Committee stipend she thinks is part of the Headmaster's job and should be included in his salary.

"Obviously I'm pleased in the confidence the School Committee has put in me. It's been a long process," Reis said after the committee's approval.

★ 'Brief Encounter'

Is Tomorrow At

Fox Branch Library

The movie "Brief Encounter" will be shown at the Fox Branch Library tomorrow at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. in the free film series "Oldies and Goodies."

The film, which is the story of two people who fall in love outside of their marriages, was hailed as one of the best films of 1946. It stars Trevor Howard, Celia Johnson and Stanley Holloway.

Byron Matthews

Town's Redevelopment 'Is On The Right Track'

In announcing the state's approval of Arlington's Commercial Area Revitalization District (CARD) request last week, Byron Matthews, Secretary of the Executive Office of Communities and Development, told the monthly Chamber of Commerce luncheon meeting that the Town of Arlington "is on the right track" with economic revitalization.

In a series of prepared remarks, Matthews said that the financing of the Water street MBTA station and Associate's Block is "a clear indication of Arlington's commitment to revitalization and redevelopment." Matthews commended local officials and town boards in working together on the project.

Economic revitalization is a prime concern of Gov. Edward J. King, the

former mayor of Newburyport told his audience of Chamber officials, town officials and local merchants. The problem of property taxes must be approached, Matthews said. And with the 4 percent tax cap, Massachusetts is moving to a generally healthier climate. "Now we have done something positive about the tax program," he said.

Matthews said that in his role as Secretary he plans to pursue business incentives to compete with other states in attracting businesses to locate in Massachusetts. It's important to build the proper attitude to attract proper growth, Matthews said. Business incentives must be improved. He cited location of K-Mart stores in Massachusetts because of changing attitudes in state government.

But, before hoping to attract businesses into the state something must first be done to update and streamline the regulatory process. Although he didn't elaborate, Matthews said he has had the opportunity to work with other secretaries in assisting and directing businesses into Massachusetts and his office has been studying ways of updating the regulatory process.

Neighborhood development is also important, he said. Matthews has been visiting neighborhoods throughout the state and is working on investment strategies for distressed neighborhoods.

Matthews said that during his tenure as Secretary he has had good relations with the Legislature, and commended Rep. John Cusack, who was at the meeting, in particular. Cusack is the

Chairman of the legislative Committee on Urban Affairs.

In his concluding remarks Matthews told officials to "keep up the good work" with the redevelopment of Arlington.

On a question from the audience Matthews said that as long as progress is being made on the state housing grant, which has been earmarked for Arlington and is slated to be used in the elderly housing proposed project on Summer street, Arlington will not lose the money.

In his role as Secretary, Matthews directs the activities of ECOD and the operation of the Dept. of Community Affairs which includes nine agencies. He also assists municipalities to prepare strategies for improvement in areas like public housing, economic development, neighborhood revitalization and services to low income groups.

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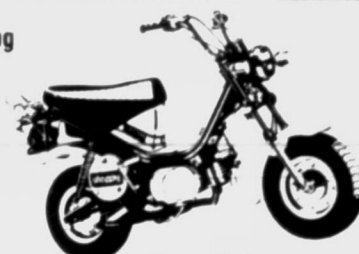
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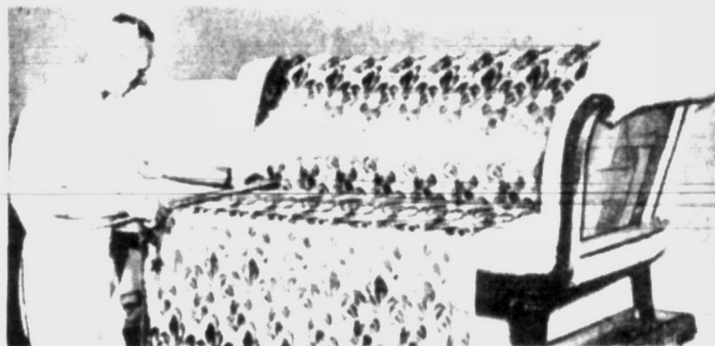
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Up To Selectmen

6 Firms Seek Cable TV License

The six applicants for a cable television license in Arlington range from two companies which are trying to get into the cable TV business, to one of the largest cable companies in the country.

Two of the companies are owned by people from area communities, including Arlington residents, while a third has sold 20 percent of its stock to 13 local investors.

Advising Selectmen, who must choose the licensee, will be their Cable Television Advisory Committee headed by Philip J. McCarthy. Committee members include Charles Fagone, John Walkinshaw, Arlene Conradi, Robert Davis, Frederick Dooe, Joan Gearin, Carlo Vannicola and Morton Winthrop.

On Tuesday the committee met and began reviewing applications. McCarthy says the committee will try to develop a means of comparing the applicants on key points.

An important part of the review process will be the reports about applicants which the committee gets from communities which already have cable. The committee will be contacting local groups and officials in those communities to get an idea how the owners respond on such matters as fees, repairs and community access, for example. It will also examine financial statements of applicants.

Another job of the advisory committee will be to develop the town's report of system characteristics which the state requires of the town.

In this report the town tells the applicants what kind of service it wants. For example, the town could ask to have a trunk line to Minuteman Tech, says McCarthy. Based on this report, the applicants are allowed to amend their applications.

Under state regulations, there is a deadline for receipt of the amendments. The Selectmen have 18 months from the date of the initiation of the cable TV review process which was a February hearing in which to act.

McCarthy's committee will weigh all of the applicants, but has not yet been given instruction by Selectmen as to whether that board will want a recommendation or not.

Residents are invited to the advisory committee's meetings. They will be held at the Town Clerk's office and will be held at 853 Mass. ave.

Summaries of the applicants are provided here in alphabetical order.

American Cable Communications Inc., a subsidiary of American Alarm & Communications of Winchester, 573 Main st., Winchester.

Principals include Bruce D. Wedlock, a director and founder of American Alarm, of 22 Cherokee rd., Richard L. Sampson, president and treasurer, 8 Sheffield rd., Winchester.

Robert W. Ziegler, vice president and director, 82 Palfrey rd., Belmont. Charles O. Staples, chairman of the board and one of the founders, 38 Greenwood rd., Wellesley.

James M. Olivier, director, Winchester, and William S. Abbott of Plymouth, former Arlington Selectman, who is legal counsel and director.

Stockholders include: Sampson, 70 percent; Ziegler, 10 percent; Wedlock, 5 percent; Staples, 5 percent; Abbott, 2 percent; P. Doelger, 50 Beacon st., Boston, 8 percent; R.L. Mitchell, 28 Longfellow rd., Wellesley, 1 percent.

The cable company will be owned 100 percent by American Alarm. The company operates no systems at this time.

In 1968 they filed for a license in Arlington. Selectmen then did not license anyone for cable. Applications are pending in Lexington and Winchester and application in Belmont is being considered.

The applicant emphasizes their community orientation and involvement in the principals' communities and the fact that the company would be community based and owner operated.

Arlington Cablesystems Corp., of 27 State st., Boston, is 80 percent owned by American Cablesystems Corp. of Boston. The company was formed in 1978 with the acquisition of 13 systems. It now operates systems in 21 communities in New York, Virginia, West Virginia and Tennessee.

President of American is Steven B. Dodge of Beverly. Other officers are Steven A. Dourdoufis of New York City, Barry D. Lemieux of Newburyport, David S. Prescott of Melrose and Theresa A. Tink of Weymouth.

There are 13 local stockholders who put up \$50,000. Eleven of them have 1.67 percent interest of 4160 shares. Two, Boudreau and Fiorenza, have 83 percent interest, 2080 shares. These stockholders are:

Lawrence R. Babine, 91 Stowcroft rd., president and owner of Howley-White Associates Inc., Gerard J. Bartholomew, 51 Newport st., assistant manager, Arlington office of Coolidge Bank & Trust Co.

James F. Boudreau, 67 Quincy st., an attorney in Boston, Francis X. Callahan, 78 Hamlet st., Billerica elementary school principal.

Francis A. Coughlin, 14 Fayette st., senior vice president, Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co., and former Town Treasurer, Ignatius J. Fiorenza, 21 Endicott rd., dentist.

John T. Flatley, 8 Pilgrim dr., Winchester, treasurer and principal of Flatley's Service Station Inc., Susan L. Foehy, 55 Brand st., housewife.

Mary Hebron, 91 Fifer ln., Lexington, registrar of Suffolk University, George W. Hillier, 3 Florence ave., owner and director of Arlington Reading Clinic and Winchester reading specialist.

Nanci L. Ortwein, 135 Medford st., Spanish teacher, Peter J. O'Reilly, 8 Old Mystic st., president and principal of Menotomy Pharmacy and owner of The Card Hut.

Anthony F. Peduto, 282 Forest st., insurance agent. Counsel for the applicant is former state representative Edward Dever.

Arlington Cablesystems commissioned a survey of more than 300 residents which found that 60 percent of those surveyed were extremely or very interested in first run movies. Fifty-two percent said they were interested in fire and burglar alarm coverage. Fifty-six percent said they were willing to pay \$10 a month or more for basic cable service.

The service which the company is proposing would include connections to major community locations such as schools, libraries and the hospital for open and closed circuit televising.

Third applicant is **Adams-Russell Co. Inc.**, of 1380 Main st., Waltham, which would operate **Community Cablevision of Arlington Inc.**

The company has been in business for eight years. It operates in 38 communities with four systems pending and eight under construction in Missouri, Arkansas, Maine, New York and Massachusetts.

Holders of more than 1 percent of the stock are: Gerald J. Adams of Waltham, Adams-Russell Co. Inc. Employees Stock Ownership Plan, Waltham; Advent III, Boston.

Francis E. April, Amesbury, Cede & Co., New York; John P. Curtis, Reading; Rudi R. Czeremin, Derry, N.H.; First Capital Corp. of Boston; Raymond E.

Frederick, Sudbury; John J. Lynch, Needham; Lindsay Russell, Cambridge; Carl G. Sontheimer, Greenwich, Conn.; Adam Young, New York.

Community Cablevisions says it is committed to access and local origination programming and will give priority on access channels to controversial issues of public importance.

Continental Cablevision of Mass. Inc., 466 Essex st., Lawrence, is the fourth applicant. Through subsidiaries in New Hampshire, California, Michigan, Ohio, Illinois and Virginia the parent company operates 29 cable systems and has three other licenses granted.

Officers of Continental Cablevision of Mass. are H.I. Grousbeck, Weston; Amos B. Hostetter Jr., Boston; John P. Rakoske, Dover, H.H.; Joseph P. Nadeau, Dover, N.H.; Richard Hoffstein, Stoughton; Robert Luick, Belmont; Philip E. Read, Saco, Maine.

Thirty-two individuals and companies are stockholders of Continental Cablevision Inc. of Boston, the parent company. The biggest stockholders are H.I. Grousbeck, 14 percent; Amos B. Hostetter Jr., 19 percent; Ham & Co., Boston, 8 percent; Memorial Drive Trust, Cambridge, 8 percent; Schooner Capital Corp., Boston, 8 percent.

Fifth applicant is **Menotomy Cable Service** of 41 Jason st. Partners in this company are Irving Stein of 41 Jason st. and William K. Headley of 24 Hill rd., Belmont.

Stein has been an Arlington resident for 20 years and served on the Finance Committee, School Facilities Committee and Redevelopment Board. Headley, a 23-year resident of Belmont, has experience in CATV manufacture and franchise development and systems operation.

The Menotomy application says citizens will be involved in program origination which will address local issues, problems and objectives. The owners feel that cable TV must be operated in the public interest and be responsive to the people it serves, says the application.

Warner Cable Corp., of 75 Rockefeller Plaza, New York City, is the sixth applicant. It is part of Warner Communications Inc. which includes Warner Brothers films and Warner Books.

The company operates more than 140 systems in 37 states. It claims to be the largest in the country with over 65,000 subscribers in 13 Massachusetts communities.

Chairman and president is Gustave M. Hauser, executive vice president of operations is Peter J. Alden, executive vice president of program and marketing is John A. Lack, and vice president and New England regional manager is James T. David.

Warner's application says it would build a special trunk network to the high school and other schools and would provide a full color studio and color remote video taping package.

Generally, all of the applicants provide information on such matters as equal employment opportunity, safety, balance sheet, description of the system, charges, public access, signals to be carried and services such as music, alarms, pay TV and stock market reports.

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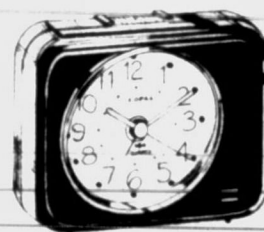


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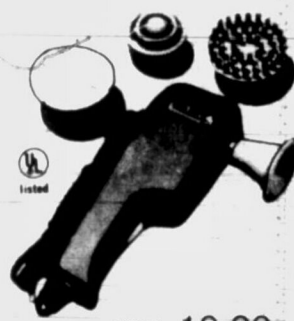
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Comment

A Page of Personal Opinion for Public Reflection

The Arlington Advocate, Thursday, June 7, 1979

Man About Town

We've run out of things to say about the Town Meeting. It's still going on and on.

Monday's Special Town Meeting poses some interesting questions for meeting members. The two major issues are if the town should have a new police station and if it should have another building for elderly housing.

The police issue is more clear cut. There isn't much question that the present police station does not function as well as it should, that the building will be needing physical work, and that the parking problem is severe for visitors and for the employees who park on the side streets and in the Arlington Co-operative Bank lot. The opportunity is here to have private commercial development of the site to generate tax revenue and be another attraction for shoppers in the Center.

The elderly issue is more difficult. Voting against housing for the elderly is like voting against the proverbial motherhood and apple pie. Many people feel that the elderly are better served by rental subsidy programs which allow them to stay in their apartments. Questions have been raised about the need for another project and the location of a third site in the same area.

The housing question has political overtones as well. Last year Rep. John Cusack filed legislation for additional state funding for elderly housing, both rehabilitation and new construction. Arlington was one of 16 projects approved for \$2.56 million for new construction. That's not surprising since Cusack is chairman of the Urban Affairs Committee, as well as a member of the local Housing Authority. After spending more than a year looking for a site, in the last few weeks the plan was developed to put the elderly housing at Mystic and Summer where town officials were already working on plans for community safety relocation. Not everyone is enthusiastic about the plan, but there is pressure for it to be approved.

The warrant articles can be amended, so there is a possibility that the two projects could be voted separately. Whether the site acquisition would fly without both buildings remains to be seen. Had the School Committee closed a school by now, the town could be looking at using a school building or school site for elderly housing, a senior center or even a police station. The School Committee is ready to begin the chore of reviewing elementary consolidation again and is expected to set up a timetable for addressing that issue.

The tax rate is at \$83.27 according to the Finance Committee Monday night. The rate for this year is \$84.60, so the Town Meeting and officials are doing well holding the rate.

Several sharp-eyed readers spotted a big goof in a caption last week. That was not St. Agnes Band at the Memorial Day Parade. It was the Guardsmen from Middlesex County, a late entry in the parade.

The Arlington Youth Visit Exchange Program will be hosting a delegation of young people from Japan in Arlington from Aug. 11 to 19. Thirty delegates will stay with local families experiencing American family life. Residents interested in hosting a delegate should call Mrs. Arthur Bush, or write to the association at P.O. Box 2, Arlington.

A reader who is following the Summer and Mystic street project wants to know the history of the Arlington Catholic parcel. We have been told that the town conveyed the site to the archdiocese in the late 50's for \$12,000 for the purpose of construction of an educational facility. Later, Town Meeting changed the use to athletic or related activities. Part of the site is the ACHS practice field, while the part which the town wants to get back is not being used. Way back there were a mill and millpond there, and more recently a landfill.

Despite her bill to phase out county government losing, Rep. Mary Jane Gibson is optimistic that local officials will get some budget power over the county budget. She is sponsoring a bill to do this. Under the present system, county commissioners propose budgets which are reviewed by a county advisory board, but the legislature acts on the recommendation of its Committee on Counties.

As we have noted before, the paper does not print anonymous letters to the editor, but we do try to answer questions from residents. A recent letter raised a number of concerns about the Arlington Center-Water street area. First, is a complaint about the use of the power station lawn and the site at 11 Water st. for equipment and building materials. Those materials are being used for the Mass. avenue sidewalk construction. The contractor was allowed to store them there so that they would not be stored on the avenue. The site will be cleaned up when the work is completed.

The second question relates to traffic, maintenance and police surveillance that may be needed when a restaurant goes in on Water street. The Redevelopment Board will consider such impacts when it conducts its environmental design review which will be required since a special permit for that use will be necessary. In addition, the Zoning Board of Appeals will have to issue a special permit and it will address the issue of parking. The Town Manager feels that a restaurant will not adversely affect the neighborhood any more than any other business and that the town will not be required to provide additional service.

The letter asks why it has not been reported that the Towne House restaurant hired a lawyer to block formation of the new restaurant. Towne House owner Carmen DeGuglielmo says he is doing nothing. He plans to apply for a liquor license and he says he wants to get the same kind of consideration the new restaurant will get with its application. He had been represented by William Grannan before the Zoning Board of Appeals when he expanded his restaurant.

The next question has to do with building inspection of the building. When the building is inspected it will have to meet codes. As for the parking lot at 11 Water st., the plan now is to take 7 of the 14 planned parking spaces there for a kitchen addition to the power station. The letter asked why The Advocate did not report an assault on a girl along the railroad tracks on May 10 near Water street. We found no report of the assault with the police division.

The last comment in the letter criticizes the town for playing real estate developer and "stealing" the Associates Block. That block now is assessed for \$18,000 and gets a \$6,000 tax abatement. The Redevelopment Board has said it will give the owner the rest of the year to determine what he wants to do to improve the building. The Planning Department will work with him on plans. If the owner chooses not to improve the block, the town then can act to acquire the property based on the market value determined by two appraisers.

You all remember Bill Barnstead of Arlington, perennial candidate against Tip O'Neill and chairman of Republicans for Middlesex County? He may make the 6 o'clock news tonight. His group will be at the State House giving out bread wrapped in a unique wrapper which says, among other things, "There's no such thing as unlevied bread. . . Don't worry about the calories, worry about the taxes. . . Yeast raises the bread and taxes raise the price." According to Barnstead there are 151 taxes totalling 40 cents on a loaf of 55 cent bread. "It's costing us an awful lot of dough, and it's symptomatic of the gouging the taxpayers are getting from government," says Barnstead.



Arlington's Auxiliary Police on duty for Patriots' Day are, front, from the left, Lt. Richard Walsh, Capt. Edward Harrington, Lt. Nicholas Kriketos; second row, Paul Fitzgibbon, John LeBlanc, Andrew Healy; third row, Lloyd Miller, George Miller, Edward Johnson; back row, Osborne Gardner and John MacEachern.

Collins' Corner

by Leonard Collins

Auxiliary Police

Here is a photo of a group of Arlington Men who have for almost 40 years been assisting our Police Department in many phases of security and traffic control. This Unit was formed in 1940 and was known as the Arlington Auxiliary Police Unit. Over the years they have, by hard work and intensive training, become the excellent group they are today. It was formed as a civil defense unit in World War II assisting our Police Department in whatever manner they could. Over the years they have worked very closely with our local force.

Thousands of churchgoers have greatly appreciated the service they have given on Sunday mornings directing traffic, and helping folks wherever they can. Understand, this is purely a volunteer organization, whose endeavor is to help protect and serve the citizens of our town. Not only are they trained in traffic control, but also in first aid, and aspects of law enforcement.

They are coordinated with the local police by the assignment of Captain Lawrence Flynn of the regular force, and today is considered one of the finest in the state. Many members of the regular department have received their basic training with the auxiliary police. Also, on the other hand, some members of the group have gone on to jobs with the State Police correction officers and other law enforcement stations.

So, the next time, whether it is a Sunday morning or at a parade, take a peek at these very dedicated men who, regardless of weather, are out on the streets doing a tremendous good for the people of the town. It's fine training for young fellows, and here's hoping those that read this will maybe become interested in joining. If so, contact Captain Flynn at the Arlington Police Headquarters.

Just finished reading about the new officers of the Woman's Liberation Group in Arlington. Over the years they have done a great deal of good regarding many facets of our government. They surely have been active in our legislature, and also in many other fields.

But, last week over at Suffolk Downs Race Track two young Ladies I guess established a World's record. They were two jockeys, and one rider in the saddle of a 137 to 1 shot galloped home a winner. In the second race another member of the Distaff-side, ran away with the six furlongs a winner. And the two races combined in what is known as The Daily Double returned a whopping \$16,000 plus.

At the track two better held winning tickets. One would really have to admit that was quite a nice afternoon's work. Remember, it was two members of the 'Women's Lib' who put their thoroughbreds' noses in front. Quite a change since Grandma was a girl, although the writer's Grandma could milk a cow faster than most men.

Now, talking about horse racing, it looks like the Town Meetings are coming down the stretch. Next year in March, when going to the town election to vote, check your precinct's elected Town Meeting Members. See who were the NO SHOWS this season, and be a bit more choosy when you cast that ballot. Remember, it's your money they are voting. Although when we see close to 20,000 folks not bothering to go to the polls, one just has to assume that conditions are in wonderful shape, and as that old cartoon once said, LET GEORGE DO IT. He can handle your money, maybe better than you.

Attending a baseball game in Falmouth a while back for 10-year-old little leaguers, the first baseman for Falmouth was a young fellow named George Scott Jr. So, maybe when his Dad retires from the Red Sox, young Junior will step right into the lineup. And now that we are tossing names around, up in Springfield a young boy graduated from Cathedral High, and many will remember his Father. The lad was Floyd Patterson Jr., son of the former World Heavyweight Boxing Champion. And we in Arlington remember a local boy boxing him for the title in Canada, Tom McNeilly, but didn't quite make it. Townsfolk were excited that night.

To The Editor

Tax Problems

TO THE EDITOR:

Hope everyone noticed the headlines in The Advocate May 24 about Mr. Findley who is from Omaha, Neb., and is a candidate for headmaster at the high school.

Mr. Findley says he will have to have more money because the real estate tax structure in Arlington is 30-40 percent more than it is in Omaha.

My God, how do other states do it? Why can't someone in this state find an answer to this real estate tax problem?

Stanley Farrington
50 Cutter Hill rd

Concerts

TO THE EDITOR:

Two letters to the editor recently published in Arlington Advocate referred to musical events and concerns in our town. Under the caption "No Audience" published May 24, Mr. Phil Eliopoulos described the paucity of concert goers at Arlington Philharmonic Society's free concert of May 4th at Lowe Auditorium.

In the publication of May 31, Mr. James Forte presented differences in scope of concert presentation between Robbins Library Concert Series, and Philharmonic Society Concerts. Both respondents reflect deep concern for well performed, well attended concerts in Arlington.

As president of Arlington Philharmonic Society, I invite anyone who loves music and is concerned about choice of music, concert performances or better promotion of Arlington musical events to contact me by letter or phone. Philharmonic Society of Arlington is vitally concerned and I welcome your interest and recommendations.

Jack Guveyan
149 Robbins rd

Fidelity Awards

TO THE EDITOR:

It was a proud night recently for many parents and grandparents to watch their boys and girls and teenagers get awards for participating in sports at Fidelity House.

Of course, always the benevolent eye of Father Fallon. All these young people want his approval, thereby working hard throughout the year to make good. It would make the world proud, such togetherness. Especially since so many children everywhere are irresponsible and bad. A very able young man Mr. Guanci was master of ceremonies. After a grand picnic style supper, prepared by many able and helpful volunteers.

Speakers were presented who were examples to these young people loving their sports. In their speeches they exemplified that they were once as young as they and to try hard even if you were not first always.

Monsieur Lenihan was there, very proud to applaud with all of us the happy reluctant children getting their statuettes or plaques.

I also was a grandmother reliving the proud moments of all my sons and daughter when they got their achievements in various fields. Thank God for places like the Fidelity House. May it be a counterpart to many other towns. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Mary Iannessa
Winslow Towers

Smoke Detectors

TO THE EDITOR:

Suggestions to town in keeping our townspeople against fire and smoke danger.

1. Towns to buy town to buy detector or make arrangements for townspeople to purchase same at low discount costs (due to volume purchasing power).

2. Fire officials to suggest the most efficient detectors to buy - so many makers on the market people are confused on what to buy.

3. Pass a new ordinance to require new home owners to install detectors.

Tomorrow might be too late for someone!

Old Timer
Bill Santo AHS '38
55 Highland ave.

Cooke's Hollow

TO THE EDITOR:

I'm sure almost everyone knows that less and less fish travel up the brook that leads through Cooke's Hollow every year.

I think this is because vandals purposely kill them thoughtlessly as well as pollute their stream. Sewage is dumped into it, as well as fish that have been killed.

It is a terrible thought that the brook that has been running since pre-revolutionary times, shall soon be just another polluted, smelly body of water. Arlington can no longer take pride in it.

I hope you will take notice in this letter.

Signed,
Yuri Kenney
Age 9
Bishop School

Dallin Helps

TO THE EDITOR:

A fourth grade class at the Cyrus E. Dallin School heard about the possibility of the Stuart portraits of the Washingtons being sold outside Boston. They decided that they wanted to do something to help prevent that.

They planned a bake sale at their school - baked and baked some more, with the help of their parents and friends, and sold every morsel to their schoolmates at the Dallin School.

They raised a total of \$60.20 which they sent to the Washington Portrait Fund at the Museum of Fine Arts.

Submitted by their teacher,
Barbara T. Keefe

Deadline for Letters to the Editor is 1 p.m. Monday. Letters on any subject of interest to Arlington residents by Arlington residents are welcome. They should be typed and less than 250 words. All letters must be signed with name and address, but the name may be withheld if requested.

Ethics Commission

TO THE EDITOR:

It was informative and encouraging to read David Curran's letter May 24 emphasizing the importance of full funding for the Ethics Commission which was created by the Mass. legislature last year.

It is also heartening to know that Representative John Cusack has pledged his full support for this vigilant, regulatory agency.

Let us continue to urge the funding of the Ethics Commission.

Sincerely,
Sister Winifred Behlen
100 Wildwood ave

Thanks Coaches

TO THE EDITOR:

The AHS girls' track team would like to say a special thanks to coaches John Hanley and Carl DeMatteo for all their hard work and devotion. As seniors, we have seen the girls' track team come from the bottom of the league four years ago to the 1979 G.B.L. co-champs.

This could never have happened if Mr. Hanley and Mr. DeMatteo had not put as much time and effort into their jobs. The girls' track team has achieved something more than just athletic ability. We have learned about ourselves and our teammates and what hard work and caring can do for a team.

We leave with a special good bye and thank you to Mr. Hanley and Mr. DeMatteo for giving us a part of our lives that will not easily be forgotten.

Thanks Coaches

Peggy, Sharon, Paula,
Liz, Carol, Renee,
AHS Girls' Track Team

Redevelopment

TO THE EDITOR:

The May 24 Advocate quoted Arlington Redevelopment Board chairman Tulumieri as saying to Town Meeting that those of us who oppose crowding incentives for developers of lower income family housing projects simply "should say they don't want low and moderate income units."

As one who does not believe in crowding lower income families into concentrated and segregated facilities, I must respond to the chairman's erroneous implications.

It is fact that Arlington's 1975 HUD-financed zoning bylaw encouraged the use of vast amounts of our developable and redevelopable land for high-density housing with additional crowding factors of as much as 33 percent given for lower income family projects. Although the use of these bonuses has not yet been demonstrated, it is hardly sensible for a business-bare town with a declining per capita real income.

To evaluate this crowding concept and its alternatives, we need only look east to Cambridge and west to Lexington. In Cambridge, planning officials have attacked the use of such crowding provisions there as "negatively impacting" the very housing programs which they are intended to serve.

Cambridge now has some 400 boarded-up units and citizens are now opposing vigorously some \$8 million in housing grants, including several elderly projects Mr. Tulumieri, as an employee of the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority, has to be aware of the counter-productive concepts of the crowding and segregation of lower income families.

Yet to our west, Lexington's housing program calls for "scattered site" housing units administered by the town's housing authority. This enables a sensitive placement of lower income families throughout the town and avoids the stigma of segregating them into dense developments.

The Arlington Housing Authority, as well as myself and other residents, have openly supported this integrated housing program for some time. Even HUD is finally abandoning its emphasis on high density projects for families.

Lexington policy also requires that any new multi-family construction have 10 percent of the units reserved for lower income families. In condominium developments for example, the Lexington Housing Authority purchases ten percent of the condominiums for subsidized rental to families.

In fact the Lexington policy of uncrowded and unsegregated housing has been called a "model" for use by other communities, according to the Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC) which is the official "clearinghouse" for all HUD-involved housing projects in the Boston area.

It is to Arlington's dismay, however, that we must note that the president of MAPC, who coincidentally is our full-time planning director, has failed to push for such "model" housing programs in Arlington, the very town which pays his salary. How can the non-crowded non-segregated Lexington plan be called "model" while those asking for the same in Arlington are called obstructionists?

From the resistance we have met from planning and redevelopment personnel, one would think we supported a do-nothing up-with-the-drawbridge policy like that of suburban Belmont!

Planning and redevelopment in Arlington are a process where unfortunately the unelected appoint other unelected to execute uninformative "plans" in an unopen atmosphere. It bears very close watching.

Harold H. Seward
TMM, Pct. 13

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Police

TO THE EDITOR:
In the The Arlington Advocate May 10, page 5, I read with shock the letter from the youths of Arlington and editor's note which said "This letter was signed by approximately 50 Arlington youths."
This letter is to those youths and also the letter on page 5 signed by an Arlington teen and also the letter signed by a concerned citizen.

I am a mother and went to the Arlington police station after receiving seven phone calls (harassing). I called police station at 12 midnight. An officer answered and I asked for a certain lieutenant and the officer said he was out sick.

I called back one hour later and the lieutenant who was out sick answered the phone and that is why I went to the police station. When I was alone in the police station I was beaten severely thrown out of the police station, thrown to the floor of police station twice, while each officer held me by an arm they proceeded to beat me about the head, face and neck, pulled my hair, my glasses were knocked off, the chain broken, my earrings are missing.

When they threw me down the stairs I went to a four-door olive green sedan and blew the horn screaming for help and these same two officers ran out, dragged me from car, hauled me back into police station and proceeded to beat me about head and face and neck again and then threw me into a cell and said they were arresting me on disorderly conduct charges.

They cursed and swore at me and when they threw me into the cell with such force I banged the back of my head against the wall of the cell. I filed complaints against both officers in the East Cambridge District Court after I pleaded not guilty to disorderly conduct charges to the judge and the case was continued until May 29, 9 a.m.

I will help you young people as the authorities in Arlington could have prevented this from happening, one year ago and one year and four months ago, but they and other officials in Arlington, and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts would not listen to me.

These same two officers signed an accident report in 1977 which I have been investigating since April 19, 1978, and it is now in the AG's office, Dist. Atty. Droney's office, as it concerns a minor.

If you are not safe in a police station and the only thing is resentment because even though many obstacles were thrown in my path, I persevered to bring a very tragic story to the public so that it will never happen to another family again or

a minor. I have named no name as it is in litigation, but rest assured you people who wrote the letters to The Arlington Advocate, I will help you but only in a non-violent manner and through the courts.

Mary J. Mannix

Police Letters

TO THE EDITOR:

I read with much interest the stories about the Arlington police and their treatment of teenagers.

In the May 24th issue a reader stated that the young people deserve what they get because of their own actions. I don't dispute the fact that some youngsters do cause trouble, but I do not think the police have any right to beat them or bang their heads against police cars "by accident."

If the kids are guilty of something, let the courts decide. The police can arrest, but they are not judge and jury. The language used by some Arlington police would put a sailor to shame. My son has had his share of harassment by one certain cop who seems to make teenagers his prey. He is rude to parents, very crude and coarse.

I understand he beat up a woman and was found guilty in court, but he's still on the force. Why?

I think a group of mothers should form a committee to look into alleged mistreatment of teenagers by the police. We could look into all charges, and if there are enough, we could ask for an FBI investigation. Someone's got to keep a rein on the actions of the police or we'll have a Gestapo on our hands. Please write Box 365 Arlington P.O. if you are interested in putting a stop to police brutality.

Concerned Citizen

St. Agnes Band

TO THE EDITOR:

I would like to take this opportunity to give some recognition to a group of youngsters who really deserve it, Junior the St. Agnes Band. 25th anniversary this year. They will celebrate by hosting a contest around July 14. The exact date,

time and place will be made public later.

The bands have accomplished many victories over these last 25 years and very little recognition has been given to them. Oh, the attempt has been made many times. For example, in the May 31 issue of The Arlington Advocate a picture of a marching unit was placed in the paper. A descriptive paragraph beneath the picture stated it was the St. Agnes Junior Band.

Well, this is really going to surprise you, that was a picture of a drum corp called the Guardsmen of Middlesex County. It was upsetting to me to see this mistake made by a newspaper that has been serving this town for over 100 years. I think it is time for everyone to know what they look like.

The St. Agnes Junior Band uniform consists of blue hats, a white and blue shirt for the band, a white shirt with a yellow bib for the color guard, blue skirts for the girls and blue slacks for the boys. The entire unit wears white socks with blue socks for the girls and white socks for the boys.

As I said before, the bands have made many accomplishments. For example, in 1975 the junior band, under the direction of drum major Eileen Callahan, and color guard captain Patty O'Keefe, placed second in the CYO music circuit. In 1976, under the direction of the same major and new color guard captain Carolyn Kelley, the band took the junior division championship.

Once again, in 1977, under the direction of a new drum major Pam Outram and color guard captain Carolyn Kelley, they won the championship for the second consecutive year.

In 1978, things started to look bad. The size of the band dramatically shrunk from 65 pieces to 28 pieces. The other eight junior bands had between 50 to 70 pieces. Nevertheless, the junior band marched to a fourth place victory under the direction of the new drum major Nancy Nickerson and a new color guard captain Tricia Pavia.

1979 promises to be a great season for the junior band. For the second year in a row they will be on the field by Nancy and Tricia. The band size has almost doubled and their performance abilities

have grown enormously.

The members of the St. Agnes Senior Band are extremely proud of the junior band. They continue to show the class and pride that has become a tradition with the St. Agnes bands. The St. Agnes Senior Band salutes the St. Agnes Junior Band and wishes them lots of luck for the upcoming season.

Go get 'em juniors!

A Senior Band Member

Ch. 766 Mandate

TO THE EDITOR:

Do you want another "mandated" law whereby Commissioner Gregory J. Anrig, the State Department of Education and the legislators can commandeer your health insurance, if you have a child under MA CH 766, when they fail the child because of their prejudices against alternative health providers licensed by Mass. Public Health Laws? This has produced inequality of delivery of medical services and produced educational hardship cases. It produces psychological abuse.

Do you, a health insurance rate payer, who has no child under MA CH 766, wish to assume responsibility for the added costs of MA CH 766?

Do you, with no child in school at all, wish to pay for a hidden educational double tax? What will your employer do then? Will he be able to cover your fringe health benefits or your health insurance if he is so kind?

In 1972 Massachusetts passed a bill requiring all schools to provide special education for children with special needs, MA CH 766. Where did it come from? Look up A-RE-2856 (XXVI), 21 January 1972, United Nations, General Assembly, Twenty-sixth session, Agenda item 12.

The intent of the bill was positive, constructive, and humane. Alas, our legislators' hearts were in the right place but their pockets were empty. They sent the unasked for bill to the taxpayers. Breaking the taxpayers' backs, they must find another source. Will it be taxpayers or insurers who will pay?

We, the Friends of the Sensorially Deprived, Inc. happen to be present when Commissioner Anrig made his presentation on House Bill 3238 because some of our bills designed for cost containment of Specific Learning Disabilities through prevention based on teacher's tests rather than creating pseudo psychiatric cases, Senate Bills 230, 231, 436, 1301 and House Bills 4148 & 4915, were also being heard Wednesday, March 21, 1979.

What merits did Commissioner Anrig suggest HB 3238, and now companion bill SB 195, contained?

1. It would timely take the heat off the property taxpayer and divert 766 expenses to the insurers. Hidden tax? Double tax?

2. All medical related expenses of all 766 special needs children (mentally retarded, emotionally disturbed, cerebral palsied, autistic, epileptic, blind, deaf-developmental disabilities and specific learning disabilities) would be charged to a third party insurance carrier.

3. This would allow the federal government through Medicaid to pick up a statistically estimated \$8,000,000.00 in MA CH 766 bills.

4. Through the private-sector health insurers, Blue Cross et al., another formula estimated \$18,000,000.00 in MA CH 766 bills.

5. Under federal law, Medicaid cannot pick up the bills if the private sector insurance companies do not. Massachusetts would lose the half which the federal government currently finances.

Why can't Commissioner Anrig manipulate that Medicaid technically, when according to a letter from U.S. Commissioner Ernest L. Boyer, Washington, May 9, 1979 the feds do not see the lack of Mass. compliance to PL94-142 (the Federal Special Education Law) "as a federal role to either require of limit the use of certain specialists by the evaluating agency" even though the federal law, PL94-142, "requires that a child needs to be assessed in all areas related to the suspected disability."

In other words, school committees would become "health providers" (similar to hospitals, doctors, neighborhood clinics, etc.) and would automatically demand the Blue Cross cards of parents to take care of what would today be considered taxpayers' expense, now covered by property taxes.

766 psychological and psychiatric costs spark a controversy. Is 766 a medical program or an educational program? What about the unnecessary created psychiatric cases? What about the still 78 per cent juvenile delinquents who have specific learning disabilities? How come the failure after pending all the taxpayers' moneys?

Who spoke against the petition? Blue Cross and Blue Shield and other insurance carriers because they are under pressure to keep premiums down. Labor representatives because of wage and price guidelines. A private employer because he'd no longer be able to service his employees. And, a psychological association representative because he understands human nature. If a free loader had the opportunity to go either a psychologist or a psychiatrist, who would he choose?

The psychologists also see their jobs threatened. They, who displaced the teachers, because the politicians had created a labor maldistribution of guidance and psychological personnel by a previous "seed" program, feared reverse discrimination.

Where once I fought for recognition of specific learning disabilities, now I am their mentor because of evidence of 766 psychological abuse and the psychiatric basket cases causing mental illness, suicide, divorce, alcoholism, drug abuse and juvenile delinquency.

766 due to personal "agency" preference has limited services to staff members of institutional providers (hospitals, medical schools) discriminating against alternative licensed health providers. It has rekindled old medical battles to the disadvantage of the child as pointed out by Jonathan Fielding, M.D. withdrawing

Commissioner of Public Health in his departing speech. Planning has rekindled old medical battles such as ophthalmologist versus developmental optometrist. Who forgot history? Who forgot that U.S. began specific learning disabilities because of Lucif Johnson Nugent and a developmental optometrist? And, this is the International Year of the Child!

What will this expose achieve? If 766 financing concerns you, waste no time. The politicians and the Dept. of Education have subtly orchestrated another "mandated" proposal, HB3238 and SB195, to the level of Ways and Means. If you receive premium increases or elevated health costs cause your employer to drop health benefits, you'll know why and how come.

If you, an elder, can no longer afford the health insurance, you'll understand and approve.

You must investigate and decide your preference. Notify your senator, Sen. Samuel Rotondi. He is one of the petitioners.

Sincerely yours,
Pearl M. Rosborough, EdN.
Friends of the Sensorially Deprived, Inc.
P.O. Box 186
Belmont

Thanks Friends

TO THE EDITOR:

I hope that you would be kind enough to find available space in your column for me to publicly thank those many friends and neighbors who have been so thoughtful during my recent illness.

Dear friends and neighbors,
I would personally like to thank all of you for your thoughts and prayers, and concern for me during my recent illness. Your thoughts and concerns towards my family shall always be a mark of love we shall forever be grateful

Thanking you,
Joe Flaherty

St. Agnes Thanks

TO THE EDITOR:

The officers of St. Agnes Mothers Club for 1978-1979 wish to thank the merchants, and all the wonderful people who helped make this year as successful and as profitable as we had hoped it would be.

The hard but fun filled work was rewarding to all involved. Thank you.

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Five hundred and sixty-three Arlington High School seniors received diplomas at graduation exercises on Sunday.

The National Anthem was played by the Arlington High School Concert and after the students marched in to the strains of Pomp and Chivalry.

Invocation was given by Rev. John E. Barclay of the Calvary United Methodist Church. The introductory remarks were by Acting Administrative Headmaster Reed K. Taylor.

The greetings of the class were brought by Gail F. Mahoney, President of the Student Council, and the address of Welcome was given by President of the Class of 1979 Lawrence F. Clinton.

The graduation speaker was Anne E. Winkler, who talked about "Accepting the Challenge."

Mr. Taylor presented the graduates and diplomas were presented by Alex B. Wilson, Chairman of the School Committee, and Vice-Chairman of the Committee Deborah B. Ferraro. The program concluded with the playing of Thundercrest by the Arlington High School Concert Band.

Class Marshalls were President of the Junior Class Laurence F. Morgan, Section I: Keith J. O'Connor, Vice-President of the Junior Class, Section II: Secretary of the Junior Class Susan M. Hegarty, Section III and Treasurer of the Junior Class Christine M. Dynan, Section IV.

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WINNERS of scholarships from the Arlington Education Assn. are, from the left, Joe Masci, winner of the James E. Canavan Memorial Scholarship; Barbara Kibit, recipient of the Eleanor Byam Scholarship; and Paul Cangiano, who also received a Canavan Scholarship. With them are AEA representatives Kathy Doyle and J. Douglas Hunter.

Memorials

Teachers' Association Gives 3 Scholarships

Barbara Kibit, a senior at Arlington High School, has been awarded the 1979 Eleanor Byam Scholarship.

This scholarship is given by the Arlington Education Association (AEA) to a student who will be pursuing a career in the field of education and/or social service. She will be attending Wheelock College and plans to major in early childhood education.

Paul Cangiano and Joseph Masci were the recipients of the James E. Canavan Memorial Scholarship established in the memory of past AEA president, James E. Canavan, for this year only.

It was awarded to

students who plan to further their education in the areas of vocational or occupational education. Paul will attend Fitchburg State College and Joseph will attend Franklin Institute.

The AEA thanks students who applied and their teachers who aided the committee in making its decisions. The scholarship committee has not yet announced the final amounts as it is hoping to receive further donations to the James E. Canavan Memorial Scholarship. Contributions may be sent to the AEA office, 432 Mass. ave. Members of the scholarship committee are J. Douglas Hunter, Chairman, Maria Spagnuolo, and Kathleen Doyle.



CHAMPS in the Boys' Club wrestling league are, from the left, Bobby Marcotte, referee; John Layton, Keith Denehy, Keith Lombardi and coach Steve Catalano.

School Menus

Elementary
Monday, grilled cheese, potato sticks, orange juice, brownie, milk.
Tuesday, cheese pizza, orange juice, dy-no-mite bar, milk.
Wednesday, milk.
Thursday, no meal service.

Junior High
Monday, hamburger in a bun, french fried potato or lettuce leaf, tomato or fruit, fruit juice, milk.
Tuesday, cheese pizza, shredded lettuce, dressing or chilled fruit, juice, milk.
Wednesday, no meal service.

Senior High
Monday, assorted sandwiches.
Tuesday, assorted sandwiches.
Wednesday, assorted sandwiches.
Thursday, no meal service.
Changes made without notice due to circumstances beyond our control.

Pack 383 Has Decorating Contest

Hardy School Cub Scout Pack 383 held a cake-decorating contest at their last meeting for the year. Judges were Charles Ciampa, Webelo Leader, and John McDonald, school custodian.

First prize went to Matthew Gordon for his reproduction of the school. Adam Bolivar won second prize. Third place prizes were given to Brad Dillman, David Turen, and Raymond Veenendal. William Groves, Scout Master of Troop 302, addressed the meeting. Jonathan Groves was presented his Bear Badge, two Silver Arrows, and a Gold Arrow. Wolf Badges and Gold Arrows were awarded to Douglas Clare, Brad Dillman, Patrick McMakin, Gereard Tabler, Matthew Gordon, Raymond Veenendal, Adam Bolivar, and Thomas Ciampa. Wolf Badges were given to David Turen, James Collins, Jacob Vartabedian, and David Taylor. Edward Hauser was presented a Gold Arrow.

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End In Sight

School Budget Passes 20th Session

The 20th session of Town Meeting made some headway on the warrant as it passed the school budget and a compromise for returning the Assessor's office.

The meeting began with Town Treasurer John Bilater warning members that the end of the fiscal year was approaching and ended with discussion on when to resume. Members opted for returning Monday.

The school budget which passed was for \$15,483,978, an increase of \$235,000 or 1.5 percent over last year's budget. This is a gross figure and does not reflect an estimated \$2.7 million in state and federal school aid which will come back to the town.

The budget was amended a week ago at Town Meeting when \$235,000 was added. Supt. of Schools William T. Gibbs said the sum would give the School Committee flexibility to continue salary negotiations.

Reporting on major concerns people have about schools, Gibbs said that an update on elementary consolidation will be given to the School Committee this month. As for enrollment it will be down 400 in the fall, and staff is being cut by 25.

The \$235,000 increase had been agreed to by school representatives and Finance Committee chairman Robert O'Neill. It was agreed that the amount of free cash being applied to reduce taxes would take the increase into consideration.

On the first night the school budget came up a week ago members were ready to vote on it when a block of members left the hall, ending the meeting because of a lack of quorum.

The budget was on the floor for vote at the start of the 20th session. At that time the Finance Committee was asked if opinion of the budget.

Richard Fanning reported that the committee had not voted on the budget as amended. It supported the original budget and on using \$235,000 in free cash to offset the increase.

The budget passed at the second session by a vote of 97 to 34. More than 84 percent of it will go for salaries.

Under Article 70 the Assessors were asking \$15,350 to refurbish their office. Chairman Daniel Pincoll described other Town Hall offices that had been fixed up and the Finance Committee's "country club" before he told about the Assessor's office with old furniture and

desks and shelves with "curvature of the spine."

The Finance Committee recommended no action on the article because the Assessors had come in with one estimate and had been asked to get other estimates for the work and to phase the work over three years. They did not comply.

At the suggestion of Margaret Spengler, a member of the Town Hall Refurbishing Committee, who endorsed the work, the article was tabled until a compromise could be worked out. That agreement came later when \$7711 was voted for the refurbishing.

Article 97 sought to change the quorum for Town Meeting from a majority of members to 10 percent of membership. Selectmen and the Finance Committee recommended no action and that vote prevailed.

Under Article 98 the Town Manager Act would have been amended by changing the procedure for appointing members of the Finance Committee. The change failed on voice vote.

Presently, FinCom members are appointed, one from each precinct, by the Moderator. Finance Committee chairman and the chairman of the Board of Trust Fund Commissioners.

The article, explained by Marlin Whitney, would have had Town Meeting members from each precinct appoint the FinCom representative. The current appointing board would fill a vacancy if meeting members did not act within 20 days.

Whitney pointed out how Town Meeting depends on the Finance Committee for guidance and said appointment to a legislative body should not be made by a branch of the executive, the Trust Fund Commissioner, who is appointed by the Town Manager.

He said his article would provide a backup appointing authority and time constraints so that vacancies will not slide by until the "right" person comes along. Whitney felt the change would strengthen Town Meeting.

Allan Toth of the Finance Committee disagreed, pointing out that the present system ensures that the committee will be independent and nonpolitical. It can't be report to Town Meeting objectives if members know they can be replaced.

Toth said the Town Manager never participated in the selection of FinCom

members and that no one has been rejected from membership because of political views.

He cautioned against the Finance Committee being too parochial so that there would be trading matches between different areas of town. The amendment would make it difficult to get needed expertise on the committee. Toth said Members now include bankers, lawyers and computer experts.

The committee by nature makes enemies because it says no. Members could be ousted at the next precinct meeting and the chairman particularly would be vulnerable, he said. If the Finance Committee cannot study and debate and present as objectively as possible and be independent the committee would be useless regardless of how representative it is, he said.

Whitney's motion lost 44-99.

Article 99 related to parking control officers was withdrawn. Next up was Article 100 to amend the town by laws to change from "Robert's Rules of Order" to "Town Meeting Time: A Handbook of Parliamentary Law" as a guide for the duties of the Moderator and the conduct of Town Meeting.

The only question on this article was raised by Wiltred St. Martin who asked that a substitute Moderator be named for the article since Moderator Harry McCabe had filed the article. Meeting members disagreed with the need to do this and the article passed 114-19. St. Martin gave notice of reconsideration.

Article 101 to amend the by-laws requiring public advertising for bids on contracts and purchases of more than \$2,000 passed. Also approved was Article 102 to allow the Park and Recreation Commission to change park hours which are now 5 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Also passed was Article 103 to amend the by-laws to allow homeowners who want to do their own minor renovations to do the work without getting a license.

Payment of parttime officials was the subject of Article 104 which was defeated. Thomas Falwell's article was attempting to amend the by-laws in such a way that Selectmen, Assessors and Moderator and Finance Committee officers would have to work a set number of hours at no pay.

Then the usual pay they get now would be given to them as a "bonus" or "overtime." This language would exclude this pay from being eligible for pension benefits which the parttime officials can collect. Falwell's concern was with officials who serve for many years, then take pay higher paying public jobs for a few years in order to collect a good pension.

The Finance Committee agreed with the intent of the article, but suggested that it be refined and brought back to a future Town Meeting.

Article 105 seeks to protect historic properties from demolition. Under this by-law the Building Inspector would inform the Historical Commission chairman in writing when an application

for a demolition permit has been received.

Member Philip Hagar said the commission would not say that every building is worth saving. If the commission knows about the demolition, it can work to save the building, move it or salvage reusable materials from it.

Article 106 for a residency requirement for people who represent the town on county, regional or state groups was withdrawn. Twenty-five thousand dollars was voted for support of Mystic Valley Mental Health Center under Article 107.

Under Article 108 \$2500 was approved for the display.

of flags on Mass. avenue for seven holidays. Article 109 to name an intersection for late Town Manager Edward C. Monahan was withdrawn. Nineteen hundred dollars was approved for the Christmas lighting and decorating program. No action was taken under Article 111 for Christmas lighting. Two hundred dollars in lighting committee expenses was voted under Article 112.

Under Article 113 \$1600 in Paper for Parks earnings from paper recycling will be used to buy playground equipment.

The meeting adjourned in the middle of Article 114 on Town Meeting standards. Before it adjourned notices of reconsideration were given on Articles 103, 98 and 97.

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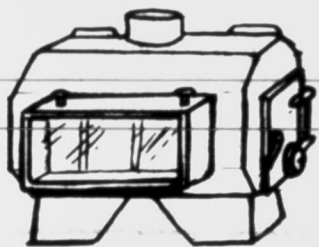
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Sincerely,
Deborah Goldsmith

Dear Advocate
We had two Siberian Elm trees that we got from the Town. They were pulled up four times. We watered them daily. The fourth time they were pulled up by vandals and died. Why did they pull up the trees? They weren't hurting anyone.
Sincerely,
Michael La Morte



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Dear Advocate
A few weeks ago the Public Works Department planted two trees. We watered the trees every day. The trees were pulled up 4 times by vandals. The last time they died. I hope the police will catch the vandals.
Sincerely,
Colin MacLellan

Dear Advocate,
Our trees were pulled up again for the fourth time. This time the vandals broke the branches and now they're dead. We can't get new trees now. We spent a lot of time taking care of them. We watered them every day. The vandals spoiled it for us. I wanted the trees to stay.
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